Leelanau County Parks and Recreation Commission Myles Kimmerly Park Committee

Friday, October 17, 2023 – 2:00 p.m.
Leelanau County Government Center, Suttons Bay, Michigan

Tentative Minutes – Meeting Recorded

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Call to Order:

The meeting of the Myles Kimmerly Park Committee was called to order at 2:03 p.m. by Committee Chairman Don Frerichs.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Committee Chairman Frerichs led the "Pledge of Allegiance."

Roll Call: John Arens

Steve Christensen
Don Frerichs, Chairman

Kama Ross

Staff Present: Laurel Evans, Executive Assistant

W. Scott Bradley, Maintenance Worker

Guests: Kevin Krogulecki, Gosling Czubak Engineering

Rosali Collier, 4H Program Coordinator

Approval of Agenda and Late Additions/Deletions:

Motion by Ross to approve the agenda, as presented. Seconded by Christensen.

Discussion – None.

Ayes – 4 (Christensen, Frerichs, Ross, Arens)

No – 0 Motion Passes.

Public Comment:

None.

Action Items -

Maple Valley Nursing Home – Drainfield Decommissioning Update:

Frerichs reported that the new drain field for the Maple Valley Nursing Home had been connected and the old drain field disconnected. Ross inquired and Evans confirmed, no further work was necessary.

Review and Discussion of Myles Kimmerly Park Master Plan:

Kevin Krogulecki, Gosling Czubak Engineering Sciences, Inc., submitted his draft of the Myles Kimmerly Park Master Plan. He invited the group to gather around the table to review the preliminary draft and to hear the group's responses and feedback. He particularly wanted input regarding the number of parking spaces in the plan.

Krogulecki discussed removing the driving range from the south side of the park and displacing it with disc golf. He put a "space holder" for a dog park in the 4H paddock area, an addition that Collier said could still be used for 4H events. Baseball would be available for Little League only unless the outfield is expanded by 200 feet. Ross said she would like to keep the north side of park as a natural area versus relocating the driving range to that area. There was discussion about placing the ice rink in the main paddock and how to make water available for its use. The group decided to terminate the walking trail before it crosses the park entry road. A request was made to note on the plan drawings the abandoned drain fields. There was discussion about adding more centrally-located, enclosed portable toilet facilities. Also discussed was removal of the existing pit toilet (vault) and preserving the electrical facilities contained in it. To get the ball rolling on paving the loop trail, there was discussion of starting small by paving an ADA loop. ADA trails would be graded and rails installed to ADA standards.

Rosali Collier departed. (3:21 p.m.)

Parking spaces and a two-foot grade between pickleball courts and the best layout for parking and the courts was discussed. A request to level the ball field while grading for the pickleball courts was noted.

Evans departed. (3:54 p.m.)

Next Steps:

Krogulecki said he would render the final plan (in color) only once, but that he would update the current draft per today's discussion and submit it back to the committee for a final review. Krogulecki said he would resume the project the first week of November and return with the updated plan by the last week of November.

Adjournment:

Motion by Arens to adjourn. Seconded by Christensen. Ayes – 4 (Christensen, Frerichs, Ross, Arens)	
No – 0	Motion Passes.
Meeting adjourned at 4:01 p.m.	
Respectfully submitted:	
Lori Eubanks, Recording Secretary	